

MCPL Enjoyable Reads for High Schoolers



Young Adult Fiction

Donnelly, Jennifer. A Northern Light. Burdened by poverty, family demands, and expectations to marry, as well as by a mysterious local murder, Mattie still dreams of becoming a writer.

Goldman, Steven. Two Parties, One Tux, and a Very Short Film about The Grapes of Wrath. What a week Mitchell is having: His best friend came out to him, his GPA may take a hit due to his questionable claymation film; and a popular girl wants to go to prom with him.

Harper, Suzanne. *The Juliet Club*. While studying Shakespeare in Verona, Italy, Kate answers letters from the lovelorn for the Juliet Club. What does love have in store for Kate?

- **+Hornby, Nick.** *Slam.* After learning that his exgirlfriend is pregnant, Sam tries to make the right decisions with the help of the world's greatest skateboarder—Tony Hawk.
- **+Lockhart, E.** *The Disreputable History of Frankie Landau-Banks*. Frankie seeks revenge when her boyfriend refuses to share anything about his membership in the all-male Loyal Order of the Basset Hounds.

Lynch, Janet Nichols. *Messed Up.* R.D., 15, works hard to keep secret that he is alone and homeless.

+McKinley, Robin. *Chalice.* The inexperienced Mirasol is named Chalice, the chief advisor, to the new Master of Willowlands, who is an apprentice fire priest.

Mullin, Mike. *Ashfall.* When the Yellowstone National Park supervolcano erupts, bringing darkness, violence, and chaos, Alex begins a harrowing search for his family.

- **+Myers, Walter Dean.** Sunrise over Fallujah. Robin, 18, joins the Army and is deployed to Iraq, facing violence and "an enemy we can't identify and friends we're not sure about."
- **+Northrop, Michael.** *Trapped.* During the worst blizzard in U.S. history, seven teens are trapped in their high school with no power, heat, food, or cellphones.
- **+Pullman, Philip.** *The Golden Compass.* Lyra and her daemon encounter warrior bears, flying witches, and evil scientists as she travels to the Far North in search of her kidnapped friend.
- **+Reinhardt, Dana.** *How to Build a House.* Harper's life changes after spending her summer building a home in a tornado-destroyed town in Tennessee.

Spollen, Anne. *The Shape of Water.* Trying to cope with her mother's suicide, what is real or imaginary pulls at Magdalena's sanity until she comes to terms with her mom's death.

+Wolff, Virginia Euwer. *Make Lemonade*. The only one who responds to 17-year old Jolly's school poster seeking a babysitter for her two children is 14-year-old LaVaughn.

Adult Fiction

- **+Albom, Mitch.** *The Five People You Meet in Heaven*. In his after-life, Eddie, an 83-year-old veteran, encounters five people from his past. Had his life been as meaningless as he thought?
- +Gaiman, Neil and Terry Pratchett. Good Omens: The Nice and Accurate Prophecies of Agnes Nutter, Witch. With the world expected to end next Saturday, a fussy angel and a fast-living demon team up to avert Armageddon.

Non Fiction

- +302 GLA. Gladwell, Malcolm. The Tipping Point: How Little Things Can Make a Big Difference. Exploring the moment "an idea, trend, or...behavior crosses a threshold, tips, and spreads like wildfire."
- +394.12 SCH. Schlosser. Eric. Chew on This: Everything You Don't Want to Know about Fast Food. You may think twice about eating fast food again in this humorous and alarming behind-thescenes look at the industry.
- +614.57 PRE/RL. **Preston, Richard**. *The Hot Zone*. What happens when a highly infectious, deadly virus hits the suburbs of Washington, D.C.?
- 741.5944 SAT. **Satrapi, Marjane.** *Persepolis: The* **Story of a Childhood.** A memoir in black and white comic strip images of growing up in Iran during the Islamic Revolution.

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